IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

FOR THE DISTRICT OF HAWAII

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,) CR. NO. 05-00191 JMS
Plaintiff,) DECLARATION OF COUNSEL
vs.)
JOSHUA KNEPPER,)
Defendant.)
	_)

DECLARATION OF COUNSEL

- I, HARLAN Y. KIMURA, hereby declare as follows:
- 1. That I am counsel for Defendant JOSHUA KNEPPER (hereinafter "Knepper") having been appointed pursuant to the Criminal Justice Act.
- 2. By letter dated August 31, 2006, Knepper raised various matters he had concerns with regarding my representation of him in the above-entitled case. Specifically, Knepper questioned my professional integrity and duty of loyalty to him.
- 3. There are other issues or matters raised by Knepper which I am prevented from disclosing due to the Attorney-Client Privilege.

4. Based upon the above, the Attorney-Client Relationship between us is irreparably and irretrievably broken and therefore, it is impossible for me to continue representing Knepper.

I DECLARE UNDER PENALTY OF PERJURY THAT THE FOREGOING IS TRUE AND CORRECT TO THE BEST OF MY KNOWLEDGE, INFORMATION, AND BELIEF.

DATED at Honolulu	ı, Hawaii,	SEP - 5	2006
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HARLAN Y. KIMURA